



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

DeSoto & Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuges

2015 Summer Schedule Junior Refuge Manager Series

Looking for some outdoor fun for your kids this summer?

Programs are from 10-11:15 a.m. on selected Thursdays throughout the summer.

Nature journaling is encouraged, so feel free to bring a small notebook and pencil.

All programs will be outdoors, please have youth dress appropriately.

Wetland Investigation.....Thursday, May 28, 2015

Why is it called a wetland? Who lives in wetland habitats? What exactly is a habitat?

We will answer these questions and more with a hands-on learning activity that investigates wetland habitats.

Please wear old shoes, dress appropriately to be outdoors, and bring water.

Family Nature Hike.....Thursday, June 11, 2015

In celebration of the previous weekend's National Trails Day, we will carpool out to the Cottonwood Trail and hike a little less than a mile. Dress appropriately, wear comfortable sturdy shoes, and bring water.

Birding for Beginners.....Thursday, June 25, 2015

Participants will become familiar with binoculars and learn how to use a field guides to identify birds.

After field guide orientation and Binocular Boot Camp, we will go outside to observe birds.

Wildlife Habitats.....Thursday, July 9, 2015

Where do wild animals live on the refuge? How do we know that wildlife is around without actually seeing it? These questions and more will be answered on a less-than a mile hike where we will observe wildlife and signs of wildlife. Dress appropriately to be outdoors, wear comfortable sturdy shoes, and bring water.

Tremendous Trees.....Thursday, July 23, 2015

What trees grow on the refuge? How can we identify trees?

Participants will learn the basics of tree identification through observation, writing, and drawing.

Pollinators & Their Plants.....Thursday, August 13, 2015

Pollinators such as hummingbirds, bats, bees, beetles, butterflies, and flies help pollinate over 75% of our flowering plants, and nearly 75% of our crops, yet some species are in decline.

Participants will learn what they can do to help our pollinators.

Programs are free of charge with a valid refuge entrance pass. Pre-registration is recommended.

Please call the visitor center at 712-388-4800 to pre-register or for more information.